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C O N F I D E N T I A L VALLETTA 1276

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SUBJ: CSCE: MALTESE PARTICIPATION: ARAB ROLE

REF: VALLETTA 1266

1. I HAVE PURSUED REPORT PROVIDED REFTEL BY BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER WITH ITALIAN AMBASSADOR MASSA BERNUCCI.

2. AS I SUSPECTED, MASSA BERNUCCI APPARENTLY HAS NOT

BEEN ENTIRELY CLEAR WHEN HE SPOKE TO HIGH COMMISSIONER. MASSA BERNUCCI SAID THAT WITH REGARD TO U. S.; AND SOVIET ATTITUDE ON PARTICIPATION ALGERIAN AND TUNISIAN FOREIGN MINISTERS IN PHASE I, MINTOFF MERELY SAID THAT HE " UNDERSTOOD" THERE WAS NO OBJECTION. FURTHERMORE, IT WAS NOT CLEAR TO MASSA BERNUCCI THAT THIS POINT HAD BEEN MADE IN COMMUNICATION TO FINISH FOREIGN MINISTER.

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3. MASSA BERNUCCI ALSO SAID THAT DUCCI HAD NOT REACTED TO MINTOFF' S STATEMENT BECAUSE HE WAS NOT ENTIRELY SURE THAT U. S. HAD NOT REPEAT NOT CHANGED ITS POSITION. I ASSURED MASSA BERNUCCI THAT I HAD NO INDICATION OF ANY U. S. CHANGE OF POSITION.

4. IN CONVERSATION WITH CROWN ADVOCATE GENERAL MIZZI OVER WEEKEND, MIZZI SAID HE EXPECTED MINTOFF WOULD FLY TO HELSINKI JULY 2 AND REMAIN ONLY THROUGH THAT WEEK. THIS IS BECAUSE HE WOULD HAVE TO RECESS PARILIAMENT FOR A SECOND WEEK IF CONFERENCE CONTINUED, AND HE WOULD NOT WISH TO DO THIS. MIZZI SAID MINTOFF WILL PROBABLY BE ACCOMPANIED BY ALIBA AND PRIVATE SECRETARY JOE CAMILLERI. WHILE MIZZI SAID THAT HE HIMSELF WOULD NOT BE GOING, WE WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED IF THIS DECISION WERE REVERSED AT LAST MINUTE.
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